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Newton Medical Reserve Corps
1294 Centre Street
Newton, MA 02459

Dear valued MRC volunteer,

Thank you for your dedication and commitment to the Newton Medical Reserve Corps response during the 2009 H1N1 Influenza Pandemic.

Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) units across the nation responded to the requests of local health departments, school districts and other community organizations during the H1N1 influenza outbreak by providing numerous services to local citizens. MRC units responded in new and innovative ways to this public health emergency and reported almost 3,000 activities, each specific to the needs of their own local community. The activities varied and covered a wide spectrum, including staffing clinics, providing outreach and education, and managing call centers. In addition, new partnerships and relationships were formed and additional MRC volunteers were recruited.

The impact each unit and volunteer had in containing the spread of the H1N1 influenza is amazing, no matter the activity type or size. The Office of the Civilian Volunteer Medical Reserve Corps (OCVMRC) recognizes the importance of your time, talents, and expertise, and I wish to personally thank you for choosing to volunteer for the MRC. Without your dedication and commitment, this response would not have been possible.

As the influenza season is still ongoing, I encourage you to continue to be involved in MRC activities related to influenza prevention and I look forward to hearing of your MRC units' future successes. Your involvement in the response to H1N1 influenza has helped to make your community healthier and more resilient. I thank you for your service.

Warmest regards,

CAPT Robert J. Tosatto
Director

Office of the Civilian Volunteer Medical Reserve Corps



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Certificate of Appreciation

This certificate is awarded to

Newton Medical Reserve Corps
Newton, MA

**For service to your community in response to the 2009 H1N1 Influenza Pandemic
Your efforts have improved resiliency and are building a stronger nation**



CAPT Robert Tosatto
Director, Office of the Civilian Volunteer
Medical Reserve Corps

